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SUBJECT: JORDANIAN MFA'S IO DEPARTMENT SUPPORTS SIGNING
"PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE" DECLARATION

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(SBU) In separate conversations May 13 and 14, PolCouns revisited Ref A demarche with Jamal Al-Shamayleh, Director of the Foreign Minister's private office, and poloff followed up with Hussam Al-Husseini, Deputy Director of the Foreign Ministry's Bureau of International Organization Affairs. Husseini said that his department had reviewed the declaration and was disposed toward signing it, but a final decision would be forthcoming within the next two working days, after the completion of consultations with the MFA's Department of Human Rights.

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